

After graduating from Boston University, Mr. Bustamante went to Harvard University where he earned a law degree. He became an internationally recognized attorney and served as legal counsel for high-profile figures like Dr. King and the Reverend Jesse Jackson. Mr. Bustamante obtained a charter to form a national bank called First Bank. It grew to become the largest minority-owned bank in the nation. He also formed his own publishing company and in the process met and became lifelong friends with William O. Walker, founder and publisher of the *Call & Post*. Mr. Bustamante served the *Call & Post* in many ways, including as legal representative. When Mr. Walker passed away, Mr. Bustamante became the sole stockholder and publisher of the *Call & Post*. He served with integrity for more than thirty years until his retirement in 1998.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honor and remembrance of John H. Bustamante, whose life was lived with great love for family, friends and community. Mr. Bustamante's legacy extends from Cleveland, Ohio, to places around the world. Moreover, Mr. Bustamante was a devoted husband to Mary, cherished father of Michael, Sonali, Andre and Kamala; devoted stepfather to Ronald, Marcus and Patrick, and devoted grandfather. His energy, leadership and work on behalf of civil rights, peace and justice elevated our Nation's pursuit of civil rights for all. His kindness, service and devotion made our world a better place. He will never be forgotten.

A TRIBUTE TO DEMETRICE MILLS

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 15, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Demetrice Mills for his contributions to the Brooklyn community.

Demetrice Mills was born and raised in North Carolina on the family farm. In 1971, after graduating from high school, he moved to Brooklyn, New York to find a job and make a better life for himself.

Throughout the years, Mr. Mills has volunteered his time and energy in a number of ways to help his community. He is considered the "Mayor of the block" and a source of information. He is the President of the Block Association and a true community activist, always looking for ways to help and willing to speak out for the community on issues of concern.

Mr. Mills has worked in the insurance, manufacturing, and financial industries throughout his career. He was employed by JPMorgan Chase for over 25 years, and is now a retired financial information business system specialist. He has worked in the field of computer information and technology for over 38 years.

Since his retirement, he has dedicated even more of his time to the community by volunteering with a number of community groups. Mr. Mills tries to educate and inspire people of all ages to become involved in their communities.

Mr. Mills is the Board President of the Brooklyn Queens Land Trust Community Gardens, which consists of 29 community gardens in Brooklyn and 5 in Queens. Community gardening is an important way of building on a

community's assets by providing a source of healthy fruits and vegetables and a vibrant social setting for the community.

Mr. Mills is a volunteer member of Bedford Academy High School PTA, a member of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Community Block Association, the President of the Classon Ful-Gate Block Association, Executive Director of the Classon Ful-Gate Block Association Community Garden, member of Community Board 3, member of BedStuy Alive, Treasurer of the 79th Precinct Community Council, Co-Chairperson of the Scholarship Campaign for the 79th Precinct Community Council College Scholarship Committee, and is a 2007 Graduate of the New York City Police Department Citizen's Academy.

Demetrice and his wife Dorothy co-chair the 79th Precinct College Scholarship Campaign Committee. The College Scholarship Campaign is an annual campaign to help local high school graduating seniors looking to further their education and hoping to obtain a college degree. Over the last three years, the 79th Precinct Community Council has been able to assist numerous deserving young graduating seniors who live or attend school in the community.

Demetrice and Dorothy have been together for more than 38 years, and have been married for 28 years. They have four children and two grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the achievements of Demetrice Mills.

RECOGNIZING VETERANS GREEN JOBS FOR ITS INVOLVEMENT IN THE MILITARY HOUSING ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECT

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 15, 2010

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Veterans Green Jobs, VGJ, for its efforts to create green jobs for military veterans while also helping to improve environmental efficiency through the Military Housing Energy Efficiency Project, MHEEP.

Thanks to the support from the Sierra Club's Military Families Initiative, a partnership between the Sierra Club and Walmart, VGJ worked with the Laborers International Union of North America, LiUNA, to establish a month long training program to certify veterans in energy auditing and weatherization work. The program also provided career and professional development services.

In the fall, VGJ's partnership with LiUNA allowed the newly trained veterans to weatherize 50 military homes in Virginia. VGJ worked with the Virginia National Guard, members of Congress, Veterans Service Organizations, and several other regional organizations to identify military family homes to receive energy audit and weatherization services. Through these initiatives, VGJ produced cost savings for military families.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Veterans Green Jobs, in coordination with the Sierra Club and Walmart, for its involvement with the MHEEP to create green jobs for military veterans and

improve environmental efficiency in military homes.

CONGRATULATING SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL ON BEING NAMED A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

HON. AARON SCHOCK

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 15, 2010

Mr. SCHOCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Saint Vincent de Paul School in Peoria, Illinois on being named a 2010 National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education.

Saint Vincent de Paul joined only 50 other private schools throughout the nation in receiving this recognition. The school was nominated by the Council for American Private Education, also known as CAPE. By being recognized with the award, Saint Vincent de Paul has demonstrated its successes in ensuring students achieve exceptionally high national test scores.

I applaud the concerted effort it took to elevate the school's test scores to such an extraordinary level. As I honor this school I must remind this body that while this award is presented to Saint Vincent de Paul School, the award really reflects the combined efforts of all those involved with the school. As former Peoria School Board President, I know that every successful school has the trinity of skilled educators, committed students and involved parents as a base.

Also, on a personal note, I always find it impressive to see a school allow for students' academic and personal development. As such, I must applaud the school's commitment to the mission to "generate outstanding academic achievement and expect students to be confident leaders with a strong positive and moral impact on the community." I'm certain that Saint Vincent de Paul will not only continue to flourish as an institution for years to come, but that its young students will eventually become active leaders in Peoria, Illinois and throughout these United States.

Again, congratulations Saint Vincent de Paul School.

HONORING MR. ROMAN TOTENBERG'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. EDWARD J. MARKEY

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 15, 2010

Mr. MARKEY of Massachusetts. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and celebrate Mr. Roman Totenberg's 100th birthday. Mr. Totenberg is a world-class violinist and a beloved educator. January 1, 2011, will mark the 100th birthday of this gifted musician, whose talents on stage and in the classroom have enriched the lives of many people.

Mr. Totenberg was born in Lodz, Poland. He says he "accidentally" started playing the violin when he was a little boy because a neighbor who babysat him played the instrument. By the age of six, he was playing consistently and has practiced the violin everyday since.